

Express Mail No.: EL 451 594 750 US

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Lukas *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/518,916

Art Unit: 2772

Filed: March 3, 2000

Examiner: To be assigned

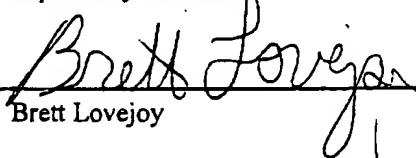
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
OPTIMIZING A PRODUCT  
CONFIGURATIONAttorney Docket No.:  
8760-021-999**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated May 15, 2000, be extended for a period of 1 month(s) from July 15, 2000 to and including August 15, 2000.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date August 10, 2000  
Brett Lovejoy

42,813

(Reg. No.)

For: Francis E. Morris (Reg. No. 24,615)  
PENNIE & EDMONDS LLP  
1155 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, N.Y. 10036-2711  
(212) 790-9090